

Martin O'Malley, Governor Anthony G. Brown, Lt. Governor John R. Griffin, Secretary Joseph P. Gill, Deputy Secretary

## Meeting of the Tidal Fisheries Advisory Commission May 16, 2013 Tawes State Office Building Annapolis, MD 21401

## Summary of Motions & Actions

Commissioners in attendance: Chairman William Rice, Bill Sieling, Moochie Gilmer, Gail Sindorf, Danny Webster, Gibby Dean, Rachel Dean, Robert T. Brown, Steve Gordon, Dale Dawson, Richard Young, Bill Goldsborough

Commissioners not attending: Brian Keehn, Mike Benjamin

DNR Fisheries Service Staff attending: Tom O'Connell, Director, Lynn Fegley, Deputy Director, Gina Hunt, Deputy Director, Martin Gary, Mike Luisi, Sarah Widman, Brenda Davis, Jacob Holtz, Rick Morin, Karen Knotts, Dianne Samuels, Paul Parzynski, Alexis Maple, Carrie Hoover, Harry Hornick, Erik Zlokovitz, Shannon Wrenn

DNR Office of the Secretary Staff attending: Frank Dawson, Deputy Secretary

Members of the Public attending: Scott Todd, Mike Anderson, John Van Alstine, Melissa Boe, Kate Culzoni, Joe Caggiono, John Morris, Paul Kellam, John Dean

## **Action Items**

- TFAC requested DNR provide the opportunity to discuss and define spot pots through a workgroup to
  discuss the potential regulatory definition of spot pots. Commissioners Brown, Gibby Dean and Young
  would like to participate. Additional members will added through recommendation from the
  Commission.
- TFAC requested that the discussion of wait listed licenses be tabled until the July meeting of TFAC
- TFAC requested DNR provide charted areas where Rangia clams can be harvested. In areas that Rangia clams are not allowed to be harvested, the TFAC requested DNR provide the options for possible opening to harvest of these clams
- TFAC requested a meeting to further discuss options for harvest of Rangia clams.
- TFAC requested the opportunity to observe the DNR juvenile striped bass survey during the summer sampling for 2013
- Commissioner Sieling will follow up with DNR staff to provide more specific location information on

where American shad are being encountered by Maryland pound net fishermen

- TFAC requested DNR not to advance scoping of a commercial by-catch fishery for spotted sea trout
- TFAC requested DNR to provide information to the Blue Crab Industry Work Group on the methodology of how Blue Crab management calculations are determined for harvest estimates

## **Motions**

Motion by Commissioner Young, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Sindorf to let the Department sit on the Male only Blue Crab LCCs, do not retire them, and do not reduce the target for one year. 11 in favor. Zero opposed. One abstention.